

SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please amend the Specification as follows in accordance with the Revised Format of Amendments under 37 C.F.R. § 1.121.

At page 8, beginning at line 8, please amend the paragraph starting there as follows:

By way of further explanation, Figure 13 illustrates tag apparatus 10 in the position near a tree where the tag apparatus begins to convert the translational motion of safety probe 18 as it is pressed against the tree into the rotational movement of lower arm 28. Figure 13 illustrates tag apparatus 10 with a piston 56 and spring 58 , added to the safety ~~nib~~ probe 18 to gain additional translational travel of the tag 36. Figure 14 illustrates how tags 36 are stored in tag magazine 20 in a "ready" position. It should be noted that the tag 36 ready to be rotated is held in the tag magazine 20 fairly precisely by the magazine keeper 22. If tag 36 is too deep in tag magazine 20, it will not slide out. If tag 36 is too high, lower arm 28 will grab two tags 36 and malfunction. Obviously, a height adjustment device can be added in order to accommodate wear. Alternatively, tag apparatus 10 can be designed for very long wear life simply by using hardened surface treatments on high wear areas.